

least one of a plurality of second servers, wherein the request provides locator information that provides access to a lookup service associated with the second server computer.

18. (Amended) A system having a first computer with a client and a second computer with a lookup service containing stubs used for accessing associated services and a third computer with a lookup discovery service containing lookup service locator information for facilitating access to the lookup service, the system comprising:

means for sending a request by the client to the lookup discovery service identifying one of the associated lookup services to be accessed;

means for receiving the request by the lookup discovery service;

means for transmitting client request to at least one of a plurality of lookup services that satisfies the client's request;

means for returning the locator information corresponding to the lookup service;
and

means for receiving the locator information by the client.

REMARKS

Claims 1-27 are pending in this application. This amendment seeks to amend claims 17 and 18 to more appropriately claim the present invention. The above amendment with the following remarks is submitted to be fully responsive to the Official